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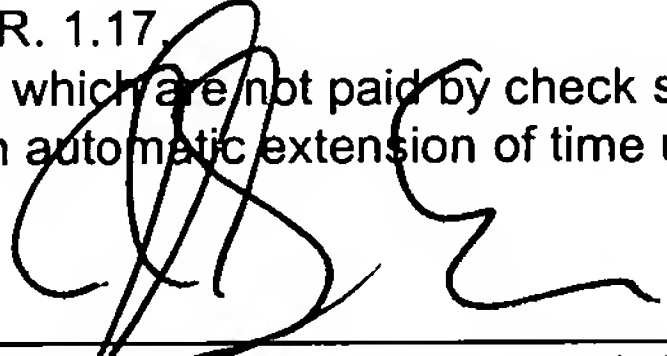


In re application of: **Guy GENTET et al.**  
Application No.: 10/573,642  
Filed: March 27, 2006  
For: **A NUCLEAR FUEL ASSEMBLY INCLUDING AN INTERNAL REINFORCING DEVICE**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response to Office Action (9 pages)** in the above-identified application.

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- ☒ Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

  
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